



County of Fairfax, Virginia

27 February 2012

VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Implementing a Nationwide, Broadband, Interoperable Public safety Network
in the 700 MHz Band, PS Docket No. 06-229**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On 27 February 2012, representatives from Fairfax County held a conference call with representatives from the FCC. The meeting took place to discuss Fairfax County's pending application for Special Temporary Authorization, the recent legislative decisions, and how this affects the County's options for moving forward toward deployment. The following people participated on the call.

Wanda Gibson, FFX	David Furth, FCC	Robert LeGrande, II, TDD
Stephen Brundage, FFX	Jennifer Manner, FCC	Charles Robinson, TDD

Major points communicated by Fairfax County in the meeting were:

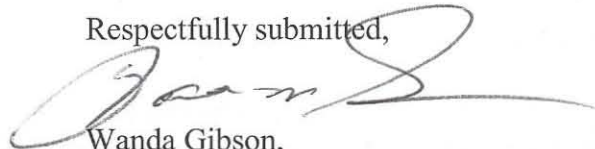
- Fairfax County is enthused by the passing of the Spectrum Legislation that allocates the D-block to Public Safety, and continues with its quest following prescribed processes to deploy a broadband network for public safety.
- Fairfax County's plan to deploy a 700MHz broadband network for public safety is consistent with the rules and requirements governing current network deployment efforts in Waiver jurisdictions and the newly passed spectrum legislation.
- Fairfax County's deployment plan will add to the existing Waiver build plans and Fairfax County is committed to design to and maintain the technical configurations and interoperability required by the FCC, PSST, NTIA, and PSA.



- Fairfax County is situated geographically that requires regional and state interoperability for public safety; its deployment plans would complement and enhance other Waiver deployments and state strategies that will contribute to the eventual nationwide build out.
- Halting state and local deployment plans would adversely affect eventual nationwide network build out; knowledge gained from network operations and maintenance and thereby increases overall costs and time for network deployment.

In accordance with Section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, this letter is being filed electronically with your office. Please contact the undersigned with any questions in connection with this filing.

Respectfully submitted,



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Director, Department of Information Technology
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